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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the second and third paragraphs on page 5 with the following amended paragraphs:

Figure 5 shows a detail view of the lower brake band insert area in crankcase 11 of figure 2. The brake band has been removed from the drawing. At least one of the guide components 22 is designed as recess 26 in the inner wall of the crankcase. Recess [[26]] 33 can be formed in the inner wall by subsequent mechanical working or also without subsequent working by counter-dipping (dipping opposite) in the die-casting tool. The recess is defined by three guide parts 27, 28, 29 comprising lateral surfaces 27a, 28a, 29a arranged normally to axis of rotation 15.

In figure 6 recess [[26]] 33 is designed in such a manner that it can receive projections 20, 21 of brake band 18, during which lateral surfaces 27a, 28a, 29a engage with projections 20, 21 in order to guide brake band 18 in its radial movement from the initial position into the position during the braking process. An unintended axial slipping of brake band 18 is thus prevented by an embedment or inclusion of projections 20, 21 of the brake band in recess [[26]] 33. The dimensions of projections 20, 21 are selected so that even in the braking position projections 20, 21 remain embedded or included in recess [[26]] 33.

